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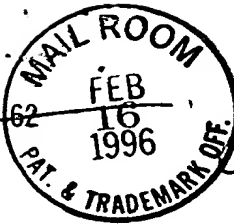
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Responsive to the Office Action of November 15, 1995, Applicants amend this application as noted below.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as noted below.

1. (Twice Amended) In a data communication network for communicating data between a plurality of data stations over a communications medium under control of a processor which outputs a plurality of control signals, apparatus comprising:

a receive memory means and a transmit memory means;

a receive datapath corresponding to each data station coupled between said communications medium and said receive memory means for providing at least some data received over said communications medium to said receive memory means;

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